



Tulsa Public Schools' Rejection of Harlow Creek Elementary School Charter Application

Presentation Purpose

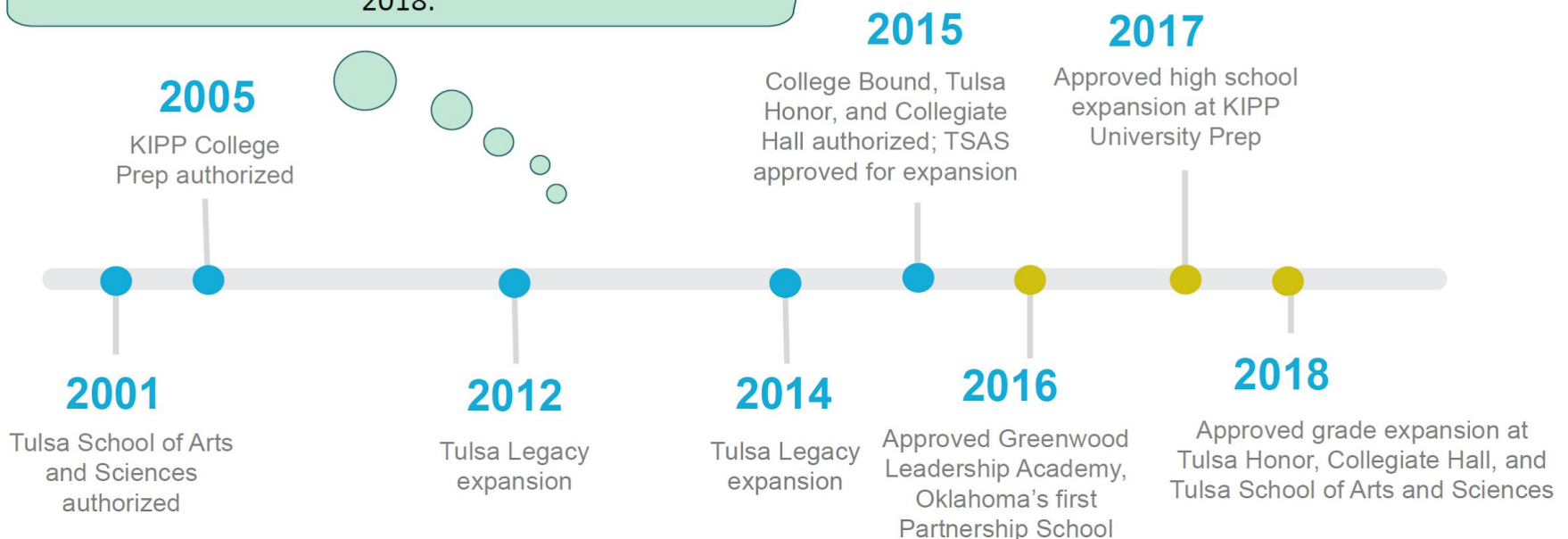
- Overview of authorizing in Tulsa Public Schools
- Summarize deficiencies found in the Harlow Creek applications
- Answer questions



Charter Authorizing in Tulsa Public Schools

Tulsa Public Schools maintains a small, stable, and high-performing sector. Over the past four years, expansion has been driven by natural grade-span expansion of charters approved between 2005 and 2018.

TPS-authorized charter school authorization and expansion history





Deficiency Summary: Harlow Creek Charter School Applications

- (1) In the area of ***mission/development/opening***, the applicants states that opening HCE is necessary to ensure the financial success of a \$200M for-profit housing development.

Therefore, the application fails to support the intent of the Oklahoma State Charter School Act.

- (2) In the area of ***educational program***, the application is under-developed and lacks detailed planning, critical student services, and sufficient staff professional development.

Therefore, the application fails to provide evidence that the proposed program will enable students achieve the school's goals and state academic standards.



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- (3) In the area of ***budgets and finance***, the application is deficient. It is based on potentially mistaken assumptions, includes errors, over-relies on restricted and time-limited funding, and fails to reflect critical services for students.

Therefore, the application fails to provide evidence of financial viability.

- (4) In the area of ***facilities***, the application fails to identify an existing facility or a viable alternative facility. The address listed in the application is active farmland with no sign of development or construction.

Therefore, the application fails to demonstrate adequacy of facilities planning.



Questions